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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

1. Applicant's arguments, see pages 6-8, filed January 31, 2005, with respect to claims 1-21 and 30-32 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The 35 USC 102(b) and 103(a) rejection of the aforementioned claims has been withdrawn.

Election/Restrictions

2. This application is in condition for allowance except for the presence of claims 22-29 to an invention non-elected without traverse. Accordingly, claims 22-29 have been cancelled.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

3. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the claims:

Cancel claims 22-29

Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claims 1-21 and 30-32 are allowed over the prior art of record. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

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The closest prior art of record teaches an antireflective film wherein the individual layers of the film are comprised of particles and a polymer as a binder. The present invention is related to a colloid including dispersed particles of a crystalline metal compound and a condensation product of an organosilane. The prior art of record does not teach or suggest a layer comprised of a colloid of a dispersed crystalline metal particles and a condensation product of an organosilane as exemplified by Applicant.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Gwendolyn Blackwell-Rudasill whose telephone number is (571) 272-1533. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Thursday, 5:30 am - 4:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Deborah Jones can be reached on (571) 272-1535. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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